LUXURY & FUEL INEFICIENT SURCHARGE FAQ'S (LFIS)

Under what circumstances does the luxury surcharge apply?

The surcharge applies to new vehicles whose gross sales/lease price is \$45,000 or more and/or whose average EPA mile per gallon (city and highway) is less than 19 MPG.

I purchased a new vehicle which cost \$20,000. Does the surcharge apply?

If the average EPA mile per gallon is less than 19 MPG, the surcharge applies.

To what types of vehicles does the luxury surcharge apply?

The surcharge applies to new passenger vehicles, light trucks, SUV's or vans that meet the pricing/mileage criteria outlined above.

I plan to purchase a used vehicle priced at \$50,000, does the surcharge apply?

No, the surcharge applies to new vehicles only.

How much is the luxury surcharge and how is it calculated?

The surcharge of 0.4% is applied to the gross sales/lease price of the new vehicle before trade-in, manufacturers' rebates or additional Handicapped Driver Adaptive Equipment.

Are there any exemptions to this surcharge?

The surcharge shall not apply to vehicles with a gross sales/lease price of less than \$45,000 but which exceed a net sales/lease price of \$45,000 due to the addition of Handicapped Driver Adaptive Equipment, provided however, the vehicle's EPA MPG rating is not less than 19.

Vehicles whose gross sales/lease price is equal to or greater than \$45,000 AND has an average EPA MPG rating of over 40. (add both city and highway ratings and divide by 2).

Vehicles certified as a zero emission vehicle by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

Vehicles where the purchaser/lessee is a non-resident of New Jersey.